Victory Parade to Tynecastle

Following the result of yesterday's Scottish Cup Final between Hearts and Hibs, Lothian and Borders Police has issued the following update for today's victory parade which will go from the Council Chambers to Tynecastle Stadium via Johnston Terrace, Morrison Street, Dalry Road and Gorgie Road.:-

"With the result of the Scottish Cup Final decided, Lothian and Borders Police can now implement their policing plan for today's victory parade.

"The City of Edinburgh Council's Event Planning and Operation Group devised the route following detailed engagement and discussion with all relevant organisations and we have continued to work alongside our various partners to address any issues that could potentially arise.

"A large turnout is expected at the City Chambers from 2pm on Sunday as the open-top bus makes its way down to Tynecastle stadium, and motorists are advised to plan journeys in advance and take heed of any road closures in operation during the parade.

"Fans are also reminded to decide upon their desired vantage point for viewing the parade.

"Those who intend on gathering at Tynecastle for the team returning should not attend other areas of the parade route as they will be unable to follow the bus as it makes its way down to Gorgie.

"For full details of the victory parade or the activities planned by Heart of Midlothian FC, please consult the relevant websites:

- ★ http://www.edinburgh.gov.uk
- <u>http://www.heartsfc.co.uk</u>

"A substantial police presence will continue to patrol Edinburgh, the Lothians and the Scottish Borders this evening to ensure public safety is maintained at all times.

"Any members of the public planning to visit the various licensed premises across the Force area are urged to drink responsibly and not allow alcohol to ruin what has been an historic match and a day of great pride for the city of Edinburgh."